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1. At the oil plant in Vir, near Domzale, oil is extracted from sunflower and pumpkin seeds. The plant is on the Koliska Mlinstica River, 150 meters from the highway linking Ljubljana, Domzale and Celje.

- 2. The plant, which was built before the last war, was improved during the German occupation. At that time some of the old machines, which were of Czech origin, were replaced by German machines. All of the plant machinery is driven by electricity; current is supplied by the Slovene State power net over the transformer at Crnuce. The plant buildings are surrounded by a barbed-wire fence 2.50 m. high. At the entrance there is a porter's house, occupied by four factory militiamen who maintain telephone communication with Militia headquarters in Domzale.
- 3. Until September 1948, sunflower and pumpkin seeds were received almost exelusively from Poland at the rate of two carloads per day. Since September the factory has been using reserve stocks. At the end of November, reserves amounted to 30 carloads of seeds. Daily production is 1,000 liters of oil. The oil is stored in building C (see map). Two trucks transport minerals at Ljubljana.
- 1. The plant employs 90 workers; 40 of them are women. Work is performed in two eight-hour shifts. Wages are 12 to 13 dinars per hour; employees must also do some work on a "voluntary" basis.

5. Personnel:

- a. Ivan Fele, managing director; 45 years old; Tito partisan and veteran Communist.
- b. Rudolf Vaupotic, assistance director; 35 years old; Tito partisan from Domzale; very well liked by the workers.
- c. Franc Rak, president of the workers¹ syndicate; born at Ihan; 30 years old. Formerly a political commissar, he is an ardent Communist, and is disliked by the workers.
- 6. Plant Identification (Letters correspond to those on attached map)

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Building A: 20 x 20 x 12 m.; walls are stone; one part of the roof is made of tiles, the other part is sheet iron. The first floor contains 10 large cleansing machines of Czech origin, used in refining oil. The ground floor contains 8 roll mills and 4 seed presses, arranged in 4 sections. There is also a boiler room and an administration office.

Building B: Warehouse; 30 x 8 m.; walls are of stone up to a height of 2.50 m., thereafter of wood; tile-proof.

Building C: 20 x 8 m.; single story, stone; tile-roof; contains storage space for raw materials and finished products, and a rinsing room for raw materials.

The three buildings are linked by a narrow-gauge track.

Attachment: 1 sketch